

2023-24 Public Education Snapshot

2023-24 data for K-12 students unless otherwise noted. Percentages may be rounded.

Vision

Improving Lives through Education

Mission

Providing Access to Opportunity

Priority Areas



Early Learning



Literacy



Success-Ready
Students & Workforce
Development



Educator
Recruitment &
Retention

Foundations

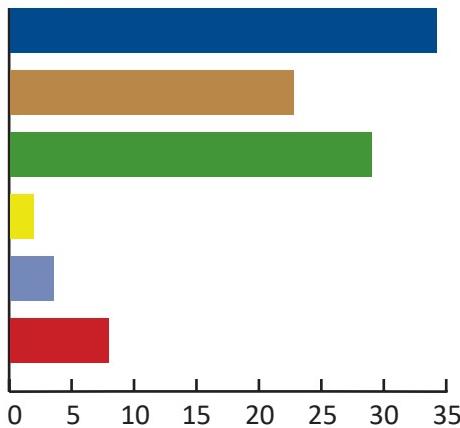
Safe & Healthy
Schools

Needs-Based
Funding & Resources

Family & Community
Engagement



Success-Ready Students & Workforce Development



2023 Graduates 180-Day Follow-Up

Local education agencies report to DESE

- 4-Year College 34.3%
- 2-Year College 22.8%
- Employed 29.1%
- Military 1.9%
- Post-Secondary Technical Institution 3.5%
- Other/Unknown 7.9%



19.9

average ACT score
(National avg. 19.4; Out of 36 total)

90.8%

4-year graduation rate

Career and Technical Education (CTE)

64.8%

of high school students took at least one CTE course

477

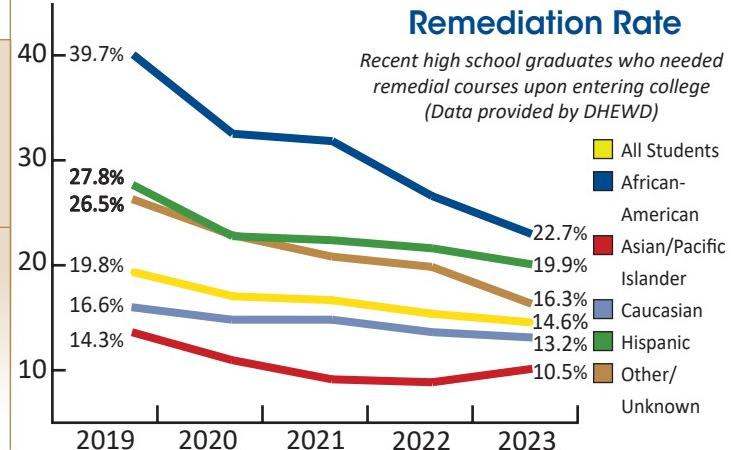
high school students participated in Registered Youth Apprenticeships

13,221

high school students earned an industry-recognized certificate or credential

93.7%

of recent CTE graduates are employed, continuing education, or serving in the military



Educator Recruitment & Retention

2nd

straight year of increased enrollment in educator preparation programs

4.1%

increase in educator preparation program completers from 2023 (3,275) to 2024 (3,409)

Of LEAs receiving teacher recruitment grant funds

65%

report an increased interest in the teaching profession

50%

report building a larger teaching candidate pool



Early Learning

83,063
developmental screenings
for children birth
to school entry

22%
increase in public preschool
participation for children
3 to 5 years old



Literacy

12,505
K-5 educators are enrolled
in or have completed
LETRS training

90%
of LEAs have/had one
or more teachers
in LETRS training

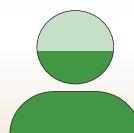
Who We Serve

859,355
K-12 students

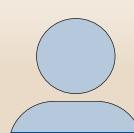
69,644
K-12 teachers

555
local districts &
charter schools

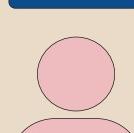
20%
student mobility rate



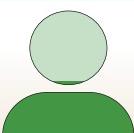
68.0%
White



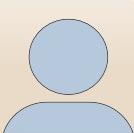
15.2%
Black



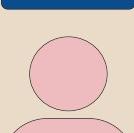
8.4%
Hispanic



47.7%
Free or Reduced
Lunch



13.7%
Special
Education

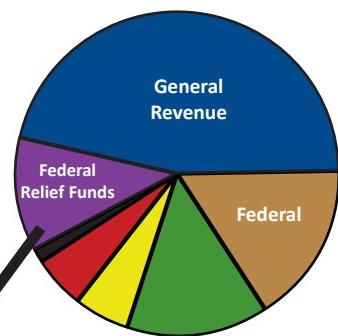


4.5%
English
Learner

DESE Administration & Funding

DESE FY2025 Revenue Sources
\$8,735,579,213

- General Revenue 45.71%
- Federal Relief 11.05%
- Federal 16.43%
- Proposition C 1% Sales Tax for Education 14.96%
- Classroom Trust Fund (Gaming) 5.24%
- Lottery, Bingo, & Tobacco Settlement 5.46%
- Other 1.15%



Reflects \$965 million, some of which will be distributed in future years

DESE FY2025
Full-Time Employees

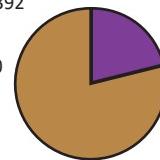
FTE Counts by Program

- State Board Operated Schools 653
- Adult Learning & Rehabilitation Services 658
- Learning Services/Financial and Administrative Services 291
- Office of Childhood 219
- Commissions 21 (MoAT, MCDHH, & MCPSC)



FTE Counts by Location

- Jefferson Building 392
- Regional Offices & State Schools 1,450



FTE Counts by Funding Source

- Federal 1,024
- State 818 (General Revenue)

